

Yessan language

Yessan-Mayo (also known as **Yessan** or **Mayo**, as well as **Yamano**^[3]) is a Papuan language spoken by 2000 people in Papua New Guinea. It is spoken in Maio (4.21379°S 142.675929°E﻿ / ﻿4.21379°S 142.675929°E﻿ / -4.21379; 142.675929) and Yessan (4.219025°S 142.66658°E﻿ / ﻿4.219025°S 142.66658°E﻿ / -4.219025; 142.66658) villages of Yessan ward, Ambunti Rural LLG, East Sepik Province.^{[4][5]}

Pronouns

Yessan-Mayo pronouns from Foreman (1974), as cited in Foley (2018):^{[6][3]}

| | sg | du | pl |
|----|-----|--------|-------|
| 1 | ene | nenden | nemen |
| 2 | ne | kefen | kemen |
| 3m | re | fe | me |
| 3f | te | | |

External links

- Paradisec has a collection of Don Laycock's (DL2 (http://catalog.paradisec.org.au/collections/DL2)) that includes Yessan language materials.

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| Yessan | |
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| Yessan-Mayo | |
| Region | East Sepik Province, Papua New Guinea |
| Native speakers | 2,000 (2000 census) ^[1] |
| Language family | <div>Sepik <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tama<ul style="list-style-type: none">Yessan</div> |
| Language codes | |
| ISO 639-3 | yss |
| Glottolog | yess1239 (http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/yess1239) ^[2] |

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